

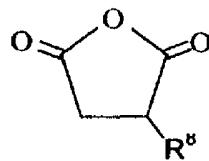
Amendments to the Specification

Please make the following changes to the first section on page 1 entitled Cross-References to Related Applications:

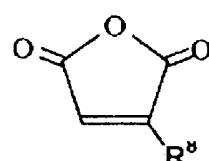
~~This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/240,140 filed October 13, 2000. This application is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/975,438 filed October 9, 2001, now US 6,656,445 B2, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/240,140 filed October 13, 2000.~~

On page 6, please make the indicated change near the end of paragraph [0022] to continue to correct an inadvertent duplication in the numbering of R substituents:

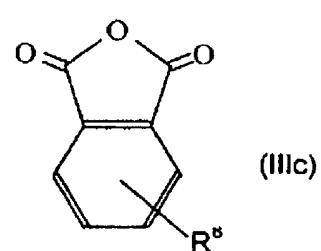
[0022] Anhydrides suitable as scavenging agents in the method of this invention include, but are not necessarily limited to, maleic anhydride, phthalic anhydride and those having the formula:



(IIIa)



(IIIb)



(IIIc)

where R⁸ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁ to C₁₂ alkyl, aryl, and alkenyl and polyhydric alcohol moieties having 1 to 12 carbon atoms. Non-limiting examples of suitable anhydrides include dodecenyisuccinic anhydride and succinic anhydride, maleic anhydride, dodecyl succinic anhydride, polybutenyl succinic anhydride, and mixtures thereof. It is expected that polymers of these anhydrides (e.g. polymerized through the R₆ R⁸ group) would be useful as scavenging agents in this invention.